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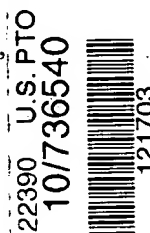
**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Re: Application of Thierry BERLUREAU, Pascal LAVAUR  
DISPOSITIF DE CONTROLE DE L'ETAT DE CHARGE, A TENSION CONSTANTE,  
D'UN ENSEMBLE DE BATTERIE A GENERATEURS ELECTROCHIMIQUES  
SECONDAIRES  
Assignee: ALCATEL  
Our Ref. Q78863



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 16 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The verified English translation will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	14 - 20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$770.00
<b>OTAL FILING FEE</b>							<b>\$770.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment							\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>							<b>\$810.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
France	0216342	December 20, 2002

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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